

operate to enroll the child in the noncustodial parent's health plan, unless the noncustodial parent contests the notice."

Subtitle I—Enhancing Responsibility and Opportunity for Non-Residential Parents

SEC. 391. GRANTS TO STATES FOR ACCESS AND VISITATION PRO-GRAMS.

Part D of title IV (42 U.S.C. 651-669), as amended by section 353 of this Act, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

42 USC 669B.

"SEC. 469B. GRANTS TO STATES FOR ACCESS AND VISITATION PRO-GRAMS.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administration for Children and Families shall make grants under this section to enable States to establish and administer programs to support and facilitate noncustodial parents' access to and visitation of their children, by means of activities including mediation (both voluntary and mandatory), counseling, education, development of parenting plans, enforcement (including monitoring, supervision and neutral drop-off and pickup), and development of guidelines for visitation and alternative custody arrangements.

"(b) AMOUNT OF GRANT.—The amount of the grant to be made to a State under this section for a fiscal year shall be an amount equal to the lesser of—

"(1) 90 percent of State expenditures during the fiscal year for activities described in subsection (a); or

"(2) the allotment of the State under subsection (c) for the fiscal year.

"(c) ALLOTMENTS TO STATES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The allotment of a State for a fiscal year is the amount that bears the same ratio to \$10,000,000 for grants under this section for the fiscal year as the number of children in the State living with only 1 biological parent bears to the total number of such children in all States.

"(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—The Administration for Children and Families shall adjust allotments to States under paragraph (1) as necessary to ensure that no State

is allotted
less than—

"(A) \$50,000 for fiscal year 1997 or 1998; or

"(B) \$100,000 for any succeeding fiscal year.

"(d) NO SUPPLANTATION OF STATE EXPENDITURES
FOR SIMILAR

ACTIVITIES.—A State to which a grant is made under
this section

may not use the grant to supplant expenditures by
the State for
activities specified in subsection (a), but shall use the
grant to
supplement such expenditures at a level at least
equal to the
level of such expenditures for fiscal year 1995.

"(e) STATE ADMINISTRATION.—Each State to which a
grant is

made under this section—

"(1) may administer State programs funded
with the grant,
directly or through grants to or contracts with
courts, local
public agencies, or nonprofit private entities;

"(2) shall not be required to operate such
programs on
a statewide basis; and